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Security Council

10 a.m.	5578th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Consideration of the draft report of the Security Council to the General Assembly

Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo[2]

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5578th meeting.

[2] With a view to a formal meeting.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	66th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [47]; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]: specific meeting focused on development

3 p.m.	67th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Reduction of military budgets: report of the First Committee (A/61/386) [82]
2. Maintenance of international security – good-neighbourliness, stability and development in South-Eastern Europe: report of the First Committee (A/61/387) [83]

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General Assembly
Sixty-first session

The General Assembly will hold a special commemorative meeting devoted to the sixtieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund, on Friday, 8 December 2006, at 10.15 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, in accordance with paragraph 5 of resolution 61/20 of 28 November 2006.

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3. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification: report of the First Committee (A/61/388) [84]
4. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security: report of the First Committee (A/61/389) [85]
5. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/390) [86]
6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/391) [87]
7. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/61/392) [88]
8. Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/61/393) [89]
9. General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/394) [90]
10. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/395) [91]
11. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/61/396) [92]
12. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/397) [93]
13. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the First Committee (A/61/398) [94]
14. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region: report of the First Committee (A/61/399) [95]
15. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/61/400) [96]
16. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction: report of the First Committee (A/61/401) [97]
17. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/402) [110]
18. Programme planning: report of the First Committee (A/61/403) [118]

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Information meeting on the second round of informal consultations on the issue of the institutional framework for the environmental activities of the United Nations in follow-up to paragraph 169 of the World Summit Outcome Document[1]

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 6

[1] Chaired by H.E. Mr. Enrique Berruga, Permanent Representative of Mexico, and H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer, Permanent Representative of Switzerland. A letter was sent by fax to all Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations on Wednesday, 22 November 2006.

Main Committees

Second Committee

3 p.m. 33rd meeting Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: External debt crisis and development [51 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.6 and A/C.2/61/L.54

2. Macroeconomic policy questions: Commodities [51 (d)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.7 and A/C.2/61/L.56

3. Sustainable development: Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development [53 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.21/Rev.1

4. Sustainable development: International Strategy for Disaster Reduction [53 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.25 and A/C.2/61/L.58

5. Sustainable development: Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa [53 (e)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.31 and A/C.2/61/L.55

6. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and the strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) [54]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.17 and A/C.2/61/L.57

7. Globalization and interdependence: Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption [55 (d)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.20 and A/C.2/61/L.53

8. Groups of countries in special situations: Third United Nations Conference of the Least Developed Countries [56 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.37 and A/C.2/61/L.64

9. Eradication of poverty and other development issues: Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [57 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.39 and A/C.2/61/L.63

10. Training and research: United Nations University [59 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.36/Rev.1

11. Programme planning [118]

Action on draft decision A/C.2/61/L.50

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . **Informal consultations (closed)** . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/61/11, A/61/68, A/60/140, A/60/140/Corr.1, A/58/189, A/56/767 and A/C.5/61/11))

6 p.m. . . . . **Informal "informal" consultations (closed)** . . . . . Conference Room 5

Agenda items 124 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/61/30 and A/60/659)); 115 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/61/5 (Vol. I), A/61/5 (Vol. III), A/61/5 (Vol. IV), A/61/5/Add.1, A/61/5/Add.2, A/61/5/Add.3, A/61/5/Add.4, A/61/5/Add.5, A/61/5/Add.6, A/61/5/Add.7, A/61/5/Add.8, A/61/5/Add.9, A/61/5/Add.11, A/61/5/Add.11/Corr.1, A/61/5/Add.12, A/61/61/5/Add.12/Corr.1, A/61/182, A/61/214, A/61/214/Add.1 and A/61/350)); and 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Contingent liability reserve for the United Nations Postal Administration (A/61/295 and A/61/480))

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . **276th meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 4

Provisional agenda

1. **Opening of the session**
2. **Adoption of the agenda (A/CN.10/L.58)**
3. **Election of the Chairman and other officers**
4. **Review of the draft resolution submitted to the First Committee at the sixty-first session of the General Assembly relating to the Disarmament Commission**
5. **Draft provisional agenda for the substantive session of the Disarmament Commission in 2007**
6. **Organizational matters**
7. **Other business**

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . **Closed meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . **Closed meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. **Draft report**
2. **Executive session on : (a) Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2008-2009; (b) Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations; (c) Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory; and (d) Situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/61/14)**
3. **Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council**

General Assembly
Sixty-first session

Second Committee
Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

From 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission
Informal consultations

The delegation of Angola will hold informal consultations (closed) of the ad hoc working group on pending issues in the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission *today*, 6 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

9.15 a.m.–6 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies, under agenda item 157 (convened by the delegation of Qatar)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 6 December 2006

JUSCANZ Group (on Second Committee matters)

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the United Nations Reform and General Assembly Revitalization

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

African Group (Second Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on all outstanding Second Committee draft resolutions)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Other activities

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Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Civil Society Forum on "Human rights and poverty: Voices from affected groups" (sponsored by the NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Briefing on "Carbon dioxide capture and storage" (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Friedrich Soltau, Division for Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 963-4337; fax 1 (212) 963-9883; e-mail soltau@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Addressing sexual violence in Liberia" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Belgium and Liberia and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

From 3 to 5 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cécile Mazzacurati (tel. 1 (212) 297-5202).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Room S-226

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 7 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. — 68th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea [71]

(a) Oceans and the law of the sea:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/63 and A/61/63/Add.1)

(ii) Report of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction (A/61/65)

(iii) Report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its seventh meeting (A/61/156)

(iv) Draft resolution (A/61/L.30)

(b) Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/154)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/61/L.38)

Main Committees

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its 55th meeting on Friday, 8 December 2006, at 10 a.m., to consider agenda item 118 (Programme planning). The conference room will be announced.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 27th meeting on Thursday, 7 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. It will also hold informal consultations (closed), following the adjournment of the formal meeting and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Informal "informal" consultations (closed) will also be held at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts

The Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Ad Hoc Working Group will consider the revised draft model memorandum of understanding between the United Nations and [participating State] contributing resources to [the United Nations Peacekeeping Operation] (A/61/494), and the draft United Nations policy statement and draft United Nations comprehensive strategy on assistance and support to victims of sexual exploitation and abuse by United Nations staff or related personnel (A/60/877). The meetings will be closed.

Resumed session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold a resumed session on Monday, 18 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to consider the findings of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, DPKO (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations, convened by H.E. Mr. Dalius Čekuolis (Lithuania), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, on Friday, 8 December 2006, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room D, on the draft decision of the Economic and Social Council on the contributions of relevant subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, including functional and regional commissions, and the organizations of the United Nations system to the Annual Ministerial Review and the Development Cooperation Forum.

United Nations Forum on Forests

Open ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests

The open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests of the United Nations Forum on Forests will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 11 December, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda for the meeting is contained in document E/CN.18/AC.1/2006/1.

Delegations wishing to nominate experts, attend the session and be included in the list of participants are requested to send all related correspondence, including the composition of their delegations, to Ms. Barbara Tavora-Jainchill (room DC1-1258; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Further information on the meeting can be obtained at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/forests/adhoc-nlbi.html>.

Peacebuilding Commission

Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing by the delegation of Angola with members of the Peacebuilding Commission and non-governmental organizations, to discuss peacebuilding priorities in Burundi and Sierra Leone, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operation

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal briefing for members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping on the standing police capacity and formed police units (organized by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).]

Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in the *Economic and Social Council Chamber*:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

Friends of the International Criminal Court (briefing by the Prosecutor of the Court)

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

African Group (Second Committe experts)

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (ambassadorial level)

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Other forthcoming activities

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High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Special event on the theme "International Volunteers Day: A New York observance", on the occasion of the International Volunteers Day for Economic and Social Development (5 December) (organized by the United Nations Volunteers New York Office)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org); or Ms. Kristy Darragh, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3634; e-mail kristy.darragh@undp.org).]

Panel discussion on "Extractive Industries Transparency Intiative: Improving transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, and promoting improved governance in resource rich countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sam Pass, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9215; e-mail samantha.pass@fco.gov.uk).]

Panel discussion on "Shining a light: Human rights abuses in North Korea" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Millie Meyers, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4085; e-mail meyersm@state.gov).]

Expert panel discussion on "Beyond charity: Rights, power and poverty" (sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

United Nations Development Programme (first meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2007*)

Friday, 15 December 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Special event on the theme "The protection of migrants' rights: Opportunities and challenges in the wake of the high-level dialogue and the preparations for its follow-up", on the occasion of the International Migrants Day (co-sponsored by the NGO Committee on Migration and the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM))

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend.]

High-level panel discussion in observance of the United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation, on the theme "New dynamics of South-South and triangular partnerships for development" (organized by the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, United Nations Development Programme)

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[The panel discussion will be followed by the South-South Partnership Awards ceremony. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rogel Nuguid, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation (tel. 1 (212) 906-6944; e-mail rogel.nuguid@undp.org); or visit the Web site of the Special Unit at the following address: <http://ssc.undp.org>.]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child: and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 5 December 2006

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

21st meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Ms. Louise Arbour, and the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs Mr. José Antonio Ocampo.

The Chairman of the Drafting Group of the Ad Hoc Committee, Mr. Stefan Barriga (Liechtenstein), presented an oral report on the work of the Group. The Committee took note of the report.

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Egypt, Costa Rica, Mexico and Iraq made statements.

22nd meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Iraq (on behalf of the Arab Group), Finland (on behalf of the European Union and Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Israel, Monaco, Norway, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the United States) and Costa Rica. The representative of Finland made a further statement.

The Committee decided to delete the footnote to Article 12 of the Convention.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee read the oral statement on programme budget implications of the draft resolution A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1.

The Committee adopted the draft final report, as contained in document A/AC.265/2006/L.7 and A/AC.265/2006/L.7/Corr.1, with the text of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, as amended, and the Optional Protocol thereto, and recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of draft resolution A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1.

The representative of Gabon made a statement, on behalf of the African Union.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the national institutions for human rights, the International Disability Caucus and the Communication Coordination Committee for the United Nations.

The Chairman made a concluding statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Women and Children, concluded at Geneva on 30 September 1921, as amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, on 12 November 1947. Lake Success, 12 November 1947

Succession to the Convention as amended by the Protocol: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Agreement for the Suppression of the White Slave Traffic, signed at Paris on 18 May 1904, amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949. Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949

Succession to the Agreement as amended by the Protocol: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of the White Slave Traffic, signed at Paris on 4 May 1910, amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949. Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949

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Signature: Jamaica (5 December 2006)

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Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

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